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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hoehne et al. Examiner: Guy G. Anderson
Serial No.: 10/531,146 Group Art Unit: 2883
Filed: March 29, 2006 Docket No.: 2316.2104USWO
Title: DISTRIBUTOR SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FIBRE OPTIC CABLES

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed July 26, 2006, said period of response being extended from October 26, 2006 to January 26, 2006.

Our check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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